January 2013, until May 1st as last shipment date

About our Soldiers:

There are approximately 50 Soldiers, including 10 females, in your US Army Platoon and they are deployed from Kansas to Afghanistan until June 2013. Your Soldiers live in wooden huts with wood floors, have 110V generated power and when the water tank is filled, there is non-potable running water for bathing. If the tank has not been filled, there is no running water. There is an extremely small PX Store that is under stocked and a Chow Hall is available with designated hours, but unfortunately it may not be open when they are able to eat.

They are unable to divulge any information. Just know the support and letters you send are worth their weight in gold!

Food suggestions:

Individual pocket snacks (nuts, sunflower seeds)

Any flavor granola/cereal/protein bars, dried fruits, jerky, short slim jims, trail mixes drink mix singles (hot & cold)

Ramen noodles

pop-top canned foods

crackers, chips, cookies

Chewing gum, assorted toiletries

Kleenex packs, hand sanitizer

feminine hygiene items

baby & bath wipes

hand lotion

hanging air fresheners (the kind you hang on a car rearview mirror)

Anything to help boost Soldier's morale: letters/mail, all size batteries, board games, puzzle books, playing cards, outdoor sports games or balls, blank greeting cards to send home, pens etc.

Special Request: Funyons & Salt N Vinegar Chips.

Cold Weather Suggestions:

Clothing such as undershirts

black, army green or brown winter boot socks

black mittens or gloves

blankets and hand/foot warmers

Cold weather starts in October and runs through April.